Conformity Update

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Topics

- MOVES 2010
- PM Hot-spot Modeling
- PM Conformity Amendments
- Conformity Rule Restructure

MOVES 2010

- Motor Vehicle Emission Simulator (MOVES) Model
 Released on December 23, 2009
- Published in Federal Register March 2, 2010
 - 24-month grace period- March 2, 2012
 - Must use conformity determinations
 - No grace period for SIPs
- Training schedule posted on the EPA website.
- http://www.epa.gov/otaq/stateresources/index.htm

PM Hot-Spot Modeling Guidance for Conformity Determinations

- MOVES will be used for quantitative hotspot analyses
- Draft PM hot-spot modeling guidance
 - 30 day public comment period
 - Will have grace period
- Purpose of the guidance
 - Combine the project and background emissions estimates and use AQ modeling to determine the impact on the NAAQS

2006 PM NAAQS Conformity Amendments

- Proposed May 15, 2009
- PM _{2.5} daily standard designations effective December 13, 2009
- Conformity applies December 14, 2010
- Final published March 24, 2010
 - Effective April 23, 2010
 - Baseline year 2008 (aligned w/AEER)

Conformity Rule Restructure

- Why ?
 - NAAQS review/revision schedule
 - Prevents amending regulations with each revision
- Notice of Proposed Rulemaking forthcoming

